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Message from the Chief



Our report to the citizens of Roanoke County for 2005 is a compilation of data that we feel will give the reader a great deal of insight and understanding of the internal workings of the Police Department. Each officer and civilian appreciates your interest in this agency and the services it provides.

The past year has been one of preparation for the future. We are in the construction phase of our new Communications Center, Emergency Operations Center and joint Public Safety Center. We will begin occupying the Center in late 2006 or early 2007. We also are in the planning stages of a Law Enforcement Training Academy; our concept is to have the most modern and user friendly facility in the region. We are also studying the replacement of our radio system with an all digital format.

The Department won first place in a statewide competition for Traffic Safety Programs and was recognized for our standout Youth Alcohol Usage Prevention programs. We also won first place in a nationwide competition for Traffic Safety. Miramar, Florida was second and Brookline, Massachusetts third. We are very proud of the efforts of all our personnel which helped achieve these extraordinary results.

We look forward to 2006, with the confidence that we can provide our citizens with police services that are second to none.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James R. Lavinder". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

James R. Lavinder
Chief of Police

Roanoke County Police Department Mission Statement

The Roanoke County Police Department recognizes the value of its employees in delivering quality police services to the citizens of Roanoke County. It recognizes that our officers' experiences, intellect, education and training are great assets to both the Department and to each citizen of Roanoke County.

The Department's Mission is to create a safe environment wherein the citizens of Roanoke County feel safe in their homes and on their streets. The protection of Constitutional rights and the highest level of confidence in the Department will be attained through a county-wide coalition of our citizens and Department members. This coalition will also confirm that existing services are evaluated in a proper manner.

The Roanoke County Police Department commits itself to providing excellent traditional enforcement services, while developing and initiating new and innovative approaches to police services.

